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FOLLOWING REPEAT CAPE TOWN 0657 ACTION DEPT INFO DURBAN JOHANNESBURG  
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QUOTE

UNCLAS CAPE TOWN 0657

E.O.11652:DECON UPON RECEIPT

TAGS :PFOR,US,SF

SUBJ :SA NEWSPAPERS MAKE CAUSE CELEBRE OF NSSM-39

1. BEGINNING YESTERDAY, ENGLISH-LANGUAGE NEWSPAPERS OF BOTH  
ARGUS AND SAAN CHAINS ARE GIVING FRONT-PAGE, HEADLINE COVERAGE  
TO NSSM-39. NEWSPAPERS STATE THEY HAVE COPIES OF DOCUMENT  
SIGNED BY SECRETARY KISSINGER. OCTOBER 21 JOHANNESBURG STAR  
REPORTS THAT COPY OF NSSM-39 CAME INTO POSSESSION OF ARGUS  
CORRESPONDENT KEN OWEN. IN ARTICLE YESTERDAY, CAPE ARGUS SAID  
IT WILL BEGIN SERIALIZING EXCERPTS AND ANALYSIS OF DOCUMENT  
TODAY. THIS MORNING'S RAND DAILY MAIL AND CAPE TIMES SUMMARIZED  
TEXT OF NSSM. IN ADDITION, MAIL ALSO PRINTED JACK ANDERSON  
COLUMN ON US-SOUTHERN AFRICA POLICY.

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2. ARGUS SAID, 'AMERICA'S RELATIONSHIP WITH SOUTHERN AFRICA

ARE DISCUSSED IN A 71-PAGE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM WHICH STRIPS AWAY ALL THE DIPLOMATIC DOUBLE-TALK ON FOREIGN RELATIONS TO DISCLOSE AMERICA'S TRUE INTERESTS, ITS FEARS AND HOPES, AND ITS REAL INTENTIONS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA'. ACCORDING TO ARGUS ANALYSIS OF NSSM, U.S. HAS 'AN OBSESSIVE CONCERN WITH THE DANGER THAT RACIAL CONFLICTS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA WILL OPEN OPPORTUNITIES FOR COMMUNIST PENETRATION OF AFRICA,' AND AN 'EQUALLY OBSESSIVE CONCERN ABOUT AMERICA'S IMAGE AND ITS 'CREDIBILITY' IN BLACK AFRICA....'

CAPE TIMES STATES THAT 'FULL DETAILS OF A TOP SECRET UNITED STATES POLICY REVIEW SHOW THAT SOUTH AFRICA IS CONSIDERED 'NOT VITAL' AND AN INCREASING LIABILITY BY THE TOP US STRATEGISTS WHO, WITH ICY CALM, BALANCE THE USA'S HIGHLY PROFITABLE INVESTMENT IN THE REPUBLIC AND SOUTH AFRICA'S IMPORTANT STRATEGIC POSITION AGAINST THE GROWING US TRADE WITH BLACK AFRICA AND THE EXPLODING INFLUENCE OF THE AFRI-ASIAN OIL BLOC'.

3. BEFORE THIS STORY BROKE, WE HAD BECOME INCREASINGLY CONCERNED ABOUT SPATE OF ARTICLES IN SA PRESS TO EFFECT THAT US HAD CHANGED ITS SA POLICIES IN FAVOR OF A 'TILT' IN FAVOR OF WHITE REGIME. BECAUSE OF THIS, YESTERDAY (BEFORE EMBASSY AWARE THAT NEWSPAPERS WERE GOING TO GIVE PROMINENCE TO NSSM STORY) WE PREPARED AND RELEASED STATEMENT TO THE PRESS WHICH INCLUDED FULL TEXT OF UN SPEECH BY ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE JOSEPH SEGAL (USUN 4225).

WE ARE CONSIDERING WHAT ELSE WE SHOULD SAY REGARDING THIS MATTER. IN INTERIM, IF ASKED WE INTEND TO STRESS FACT THAT NSSM DOCUMENT A STUDY PAPER AND NO MORE THAN THAT.

4. WILL SEND FURTHER COMMENT SEPTTEL.

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